

***City of San Pablo***

***Recognizing***

***American Red Cross Month - March 2025***

**WHEREAS**, March is American Red Cross month, when we recognize the compassion of people in San Pablo and reaffirm our commitment to care for one another in times of crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, this generous spirit is woven into the fabric of our community and advances the humanitarian legacy of American Red Cross founder Clara Barton — one of the most honored women in our country's history — who nobly dedicated herself to alleviating suffering; and

**WHEREAS**, people have counted on the American Red Cross for the information and skills they need to be safe at home, at work, at school, and at play, training people in lifesaving skills in CPR, first aid, fire prevention and water safety; and

**WHEREAS**, with 1,032 volunteers in Contra Costa County, the American Red Cross assisted or responded to 115 disasters; and through our Sound the Alarm program, the American Red Cross installed 583 smoke alarms, making 205 homes safer, and trained 577 individuals and families about fire prevention; and trained 617 youth through the Pillowcase Project and Prepare with Pedro; and

**WHEREAS**, Contra Costa County residents donated nearly 16,736 units of lifesaving blood; hosted 538 blood drives; and trained 6,522 citizens in first aid, CPR and AED; and 3,803 in Water Safety; and 756 military members and their families received support and services; and humanitarian aid was provided internationally; and

**WHEREAS**, we hereby recognize this month of March in honor of all those who lead with their hearts to serve people in need, and we ask everyone to join in this commitment to strengthen our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Arturo Cruz, Mayor of the City of San Pablo, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of City of San Pablo and California, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as Red Cross Month. I encourage all citizens of San Pablo to reach out and support its humanitarian mission.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Pablo to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.

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*Arturo Cruz, Mayor*